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1. Although the Communist Party in the Polish Navy is well organized, its Executive Committee and the UB exercise little control in that service. The MVD, on the other hand, is supreme, having filled all key posts with Russian officers or having strategically placed Russians as deputies.
 2. Rear Admiral Stayer, who was expelled from the Navy in 1934 in connection with a supply scandal, and who is at present Commanding Admiral of the Polish Navy, is only a figurehead. Admiral Achtmayew (sic), a Russian officer and head of the MVD in the Navy, reportedly controls all the Navy's "political and educational matters."
 3. [REDACTED] Polish Navy has few efficient young officers at the present time. Some of the older ones who returned to Poland after the war have been assigned to posts, but they are not considered completely reliable. Among those not trusted are Captain Romanowski, who is in command of the submarine Sev, and Captain Boris Karnicki, who is nominally in command of the submarine squadron. Each of these officers is being closely watched by a Russian officer.
 4. There are reportedly more trained crews than the Polish Navy has ships. The following is a list of ships obtained by the source:

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| ORP Sep | - Submarine |
| ORP Zbik | - Submarine |
| ORP Rys | - Submarine |
| ORP Blyskawica | - Destroyer |
| ORP Burza | - Destroyer |
| ORP Czajka | - Mine layer |
| ORP Mewa | - Mine layer |
| ORP Jaskolka | - Mine layer |
| ORP Rybitwa | - Mine layer |

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6 Motortorpedo boats, received from the Russians.

5. It was learned that the following schools in Szczecin and Gdansk are active in the training of men for naval service:

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